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**In re Application of:**

Hixon et al.

**Serial No.:** 09/864,723

**Filed:** May 23, 2001

**For:** DIE CUTTING SYSTEM,  
COMPONENTS THEREOF, AND  
METHODS

**Examiner:** S. Choi

**Group Art Unit:** 3724

**Attorney Docket No.:** 4842US

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Sir:

An Election of Species and Restriction Requirement was mailed in the above-referenced application on October 8, 2002. The one-month shortened statutory period for response to the Election of Species and Restriction Requirement is set to expire on November 8, 2002.